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Truth will always be truth regardless of lack of understanding, disbelief or ignorance.

Members will be pleased to learn that new memberships have broken all previous records, even before the recent comments from both sceptics and UFOlogists appeared in the Melbourne Herald-Sun Saturday February 4th. Since that date, enquiries have been pouring in and membership applications are being processed.

The article in the News Review Section titled 'Search Begins for Life Beyond our World' by Jim Tennison has increased interest in the subject by a tremendous amount.

In the article, the Australian Sceptics view was published with comments; dwelling on elementary reports such as space junk, balloons, satellites, the planet Venus etc. Reports that experienced Ufologists sort out at the telephone and not worth follow-up.

While we maintain interest in the search for intelligence millions of light years away, we will continue our efforts to find that evidence from objects operating under more intelligent technology than ours, but closer to home.

Video Review

Incident at Roswell

Video ReviewIncident at Roswell.....First Release Video. Release Date ..9th Feb.1995. If you have ever read or heard anything about crashed Flying Saucers and wondered about it , then hire this video and watch it. For the first time that I can remember the producers of a UFO film have got it right, and have done it well . Perhaps they realised that the story stands on it's own and requires no embellishment. The cast includes Martin Sheen , Kyle McLaughlin and Dwight Yoakam .

Many American magazines have recently included a "Roswell Declaration" which amounts to a mass lobbying of Congress to attempt to force the U.S.Government to disclose the hidden facts regarding the case. However, if Bob Lazar is correct it won't change a thing because "these people have apparently EXECUTIVE POWER and they don't report to anyone". and so they are not answerable to anyone... If you rent Incident at Roswell I would be very surprised if you didn't thoroughly enjoy it......and I sincerely hope it generates great OUTRAGE because the world has a right to the truth

George Simpson.

ON THE UFO TRAIL

(C) Paul Norman. 1995,

I joined VUFORS during 1962, before migrating to Australia, one year later. One of my first correspondents was Judith Magee, who at that time was Program Organiser with the group. I was amazed at the interest that Judy showed in people who reported strange experiences like contactees and/or abductions.

Back in those years I was a member of (NICAP) National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, with headquarters located in Washington. At that time both NICAP and the U.S. Air Force were discarding any incident associating humanoids with UFOs.

Looking back over the years, it seems odd that although the prevailing opinion of the majority was that the UFOs were under intelligent control, so why reject these cases without realizing they would require intelligent beings at the controls? Why chuck them out?

Now, when more and more Ufologists are accepting entities associated with UFOs, many disregard abductions and/or contactee reports. With reports increasing from individuals who claim or believe they have had such experiences, these cases appear to be coming into their own. I see a vast difference in the demeanour of these people after discussion with and a period of counselling by VUFORS President.

An exceptionally good encounter occurred in the latter part of 1977, which appeared to include a lost time experience. I contacted a psychiatrist through my family doctor, who was interested in the subject. An appointment was made for the experiencer to be interviewed for hypnotherapy. At the time, I was involved with UFO activity in Northern Victoria. When I returned to Melbourne, I 'phoned the experiencer to learn the results, only to find that the appointment had been interrupted by a man from the 'political wing' of UFOlogy, who had learned of the encounter, 'phoned the person involved, who answered all questions, thinking the man was an associate of VUFORS. When told of the forthcoming appointment with the psychiatrist, the man from the 'political wing' responded, "Oh no, we have our own doctors." Thinking we had found something wrong with the psychiatrist from a Melbourne University the experiencer was at a loss as to what to do since the investigator was away, and he could not expect a doctor would be coming from Sydney and the witness was certainly not going to Sydney. So ended another important case interrupted by the political wing! Over the years, the situation has not changed!

My first contact with an "abductee" was Betty Hill. In 1982 I met Betty in Cleveland, Ohio, during a Conference sponsored by APRO (Aerial Phenomenon Research Organisation). Betty lectured there on the event she and her husband Barney experienced in 1961. She was interested in the Frederick Valentich encounter, and invited me to stop over when travelling through Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Weeks later, after arriving in Portsmouth, there were no vacancies at the motels listed on the accommodation board at the station. I then 'phoned Betty that I would have to go to the next town. She said "Oh no, I have an appartment for my friends here" I was collected from the station and enroute to her home, Betty informed me her previous guests, a man and his wife, were leaving, and while she busied herself I became acquainted with the man who was loading his car.

After a few minutes discussing the subject he informed me that his occupation was with NORAD, a surprise to me.

After moving into the guest apartment, we settled down to discuss the UFO subject in general, and her experience in particular. Betty receives reports from many people who will not discuss these experiences with anyone else.

For the next three hours, several interesting cases were recorded. One of the highlights was Betty reading into the recorder, the document that Professor James McDonald uncovered from Air Force files, concerning the radar report by Peace Air Force Base, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, when radar had detected a UFO in the same hills where Betty and Barney's abduction had taken place that same night. It was a request from Peace Air Force Officials to Dr.Simon, the Air Force Psychiatrist who conducted the hypnosis on Betty and Barney. Later, while still recording, Betty went to the telephone and called someone to come to her home with friends, to her regular Sunday morning open house where she served waffles, bacon and coffee. To my surprise, after hanging up she said, "that was the second in Command at Peace Air Force Base. That visit demonstrated to me that Betty Hill had the respect of Air Force Personnel.

One year later I had a second visit with Betty at which time she took me to the "sighting area".

For the interest of newcomers to the field of Abductions, a rather fascinating Conference takes place at Laramie, Wyoming each year. It is the Rocky Mountain Conference on UFO Investigation and Contactees. I first attended the gathering in May 1981 and most every year since, the last being in 1994, where experiences were discussed, some in private for attendees only. After attending these conferences, I doubt if I would ever hear of a new type of incident.

During the 1994 meeting an experiencer came forward and told of his difficulties to cope with the problem and how Dr.Leo Sprinkle assisted him regain a happier life. The entire audience gave a standing ovation. Many of those attending had benefitted from similar consultations.

A newcomer to the field, Dr. John Mack acknowledged the pioneer work of Dr.Sprinkle in this difficult field of endeavour.

Abduction followers are devided into two factions; apparently trying to believe what they like from results of hypnosis, accept the abduction as accurate, but reject the "past life" statements, or accept both. I'm pleased to leave conclusions with the psychiatrists, including the problem of sorting out controversial memories.

Apart from interesting sessions, the Laramie area is peaceful and fascinating, located near the highest point of the Mountain range, a side trip through more rugged parts of the mountains and into deep canyons is irresistible.

Proceedings of the Rocky Mountain Conferences are available from Dr.Leo Sprinkle, 406 1-2 Street, Laramie, Wyoming. 82070. U.S.A

Information about PRO UFOS:

Paranormal Research Organization for UFO Studies (PRO UFOS)

PRO UFOS was established in January 1981 as a group of Laramie persons who wished to meet on a regular basis. The purposes of the organization are to provide a supportive atmosphere for UFO witnesses who wish to describe their experiences; to provide information to the general public about UFO experiences; and to promote the development of an institute for UFO research.

The organization holds monthly meetings, which are open to the public. There are three subcommittees: the Psychic Group; and the Psychological Group; and the Scientific Group. The Psychic Group holds regular meetings for those persons who are interested in ESP and meditation; one purpose of the group is to explore possible methods of communicating with extraterrestrial intelligence. The Psychological Group provides a supportive atmosphere for those persons who wish to discuss their UFO encounters, abductions, or contactee experiences, but who may not wish to "go public." The Scientific Group provides a forum for discussion of UFO related topics and opportunities for field investigation of UFO reports.

Volunteer services and donations are welcome.

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A COMMENTARY ON THE USAF ROSWELL INVESTIGATION REPORT

By Virgil Staff, MUFON No. California State Director

When in July, 1994, the Air Force asserted that it would never again produce a report relating to the Roswell matter, it must have sensed it had done all possible to protect its image and to defend the position that had been the official attestation for so many years. To do otherwise would have meant conceding that its position over the decades had been fraudulent and that those Air Force personnel who made public statements had all been liars. It would have meant that it had misled the Congress and that. with much dishonor, it had deceived the American people. Since to answer criticism would create additional difficulties, the greater part of wisdom would be to say no more. "It is recommended that this document serve as the final Air Force report related to the Roswell matter, for the GAO, or any other inquiries" (p.22). It can be presumed that these people feared the truth of the old adage: "Be sure your sin will find you out."

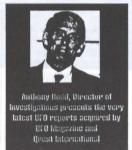
It is generally believed, in ufological circles, that the most significant UFO cases were seldom investigated by Blue Book, but that they were investigated by someone else. We now believe that Blue Book was a charade. We also know about cases, denied by the government, that were never included in Blue Book. Who investigated these cases? If they were investigated by the Air Force, then the Air Force lied. If they were not investigated by the Air Force, then they were investigated by someone else. Undoubtedly such investigation, including the files, would be in charge of the intelligence establishment. It may be presumed that any Air Force files relating to the Roswell crash would either have been destroyed, or that they would have been transferred to some other organization. An additional possibility would have been the retaining by the Air Force of the relevant documents but with a tremendous upgrading in classification. (... Continued on page 3)

It has been reported that there are 28 levels of classification above Top Secret with ten additional levels. The number of individuals cleared to view these upper levels must be minimal. That GAO people would have these higher clearances is unlikely. If not, they would not have seen the files. It is unlikely that such highly classified materials would ever be found at the Air Force Historical Research Agency at Maxwell AFB, the Air Force Safety Agency at Kirtland AFB, or the National Archives and Records Administration. So that any attempt by the SAF/AAZ team in these places would be unlikely to produce any results.

The July, 1994, report at various places refers to the "pro-UFO researchers." Does this mean that the Air Force considers itself to be anti-UFO? Is it conceivable, with all that is known to be going on, and with all the official documents about UFOs, that the Air Force is really anti-UFO? If the Air Force is anti-UFO can one trust the statements made concerning the Roswell incident? It is interesting that while the Air Force claims to possess no documents, and therefore has no knowledge of the Roswell incident, it believes that it knows more about what did or did

not happen than do those who remember various details. In other words, we are asked to believe that an absence of information is superior to the memories of dozens of witnesses who were in one way or another involved. To know nothing about an event is superior to memory of the

The Air Force denies the threats to civilians and proves it's case by calling our attention to its failure to murder present day witnesses. This is an incredible position. Moreover, what about the nurse who talked to the mortician? What can the Air Force tell us about her future years, and of her whereabouts? "What is uniquely lacking in the entire exploration and exploitation of the 'Roswell Incident' is official positive documentary or physical evidence of any kind that supports the claims of those who allege that something unusual happened." But how could such materials be available knowing the record of some agencies to confiscate everything known? On page 9 it appears that the Air Force does not know about black projects. At the very least: these people are very funny. Can anyone take this report seriously?



SURREY SIGHTING

t 1.25pm on Wednesday 22 A June 1994, Mrs Jones of Oxted, Surrey, was walking along the road when her attention was attracted by an object close to her position.

She described it as being silvercoloured, oblong and shaped like a two-foot-ruler. It had a black square in the centre, and moved slowly. As it turned direction it appeared to have no width. The witness lost sight of it as it moved behind some nearby

ENCOUNTERS AT WINDERMERE

wo men were driving in the Lake District between Staveley and Windermere on Saturday 18 June 1994. They were attending a fishing trip and were not far from their destination.

At 2.30am, one of the men suddenly shouted, "What the hell was that?" They observed a large dull orange-coloured rotating sphere. They stopped the car to get a better look at the strange sight and noticed that the object was hovering silently about 100 feet above the ground against the backdrop of the valley sides.

They described the sphere as having a diameter of 300 feet. Dark spots were visible over its surface. The phenomena moved slowly down the valley rotating as it moved out of sight before suddenly vanishing. Credit: Bill Eatock.

AARF OASFAVATION

M eteors or debris from space have been given as an explanation to colourful flashes in the sky over the Essex coast on Sunday 29 June.

An Essex police spokesman said the sightings were mistaken for air distress flares and prompted numerous call to the police, between 10.30am and 10.45am. Such a daytime meteorological observation is extremely rare.

STRANGE OBJECT OVER ALCONAURY

t 10.00pm on Wednesday 1 A June 1994, Mr and Mrs Lee were in Huntingdon town centre when they noticed a strange object hovering some 80 feet above the buildings. They described it as being shaped like an 'ice-cream cone' with many small lights. The object, which was observed by many people, stood motionless in the sky about 250 yards from their position. The Lee's eventually left the scene and made

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enquiries with nearby RAF Alconbury who stated that none of their aircraft were flying at

SPINNING FIREBALL

esidents in Langley High Street, Slough, swear they saw a UFO fly over them on Tuesday evening 17 May.

They reported what appeared to be a low-flying, spinning ball of fire, are across the sky.

One bystander said: "It was flying at about the normal height of aircraft, but a bit faster. It looked just like a spinning ball of fire. After trailing across the sky, it then disappeared out of sight behind Langley College."

However, Tony Fanning of the Herschel Astronomical Society

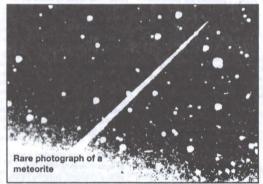
meteorites which occasionally flash across the sky, or car headlights being reflected off something onto low cloud.

"There was a meteor shower in progress called the Scorpids which lasted until May 19, but they would be unlikely to be anything so big."

LIFOS OVER SOMERSET

wo people from Wellington in Somerset have reported a disc-shaped object with a rim of multi-coloured lights on five occasions since the middle of May. The object has been seen hovering and traversing the sky at some speed near their home.

At 2.30pm on Saturday 4 June 1994, another witness at Trill. Taunton, observed what she described as 'a very large



said that the truth was probably a lot less exciting than extraterrestrials taking an evening course at the college: "The most likely explanation would be that it was one of the sporadic

burning, orange globe of light' in a field at the bottom of her garden. The object was approximately 50 feet above the ground and moved slowly across her field of vision - changing into an oval-shape with its edges taking on the appearance of flickering flames. After about 20 seconds the object flew quickly out of

A number of witnesses in the Highbridge area of Somerset also witnessed something strange. An object with red. gold and white lights moved across the night sky from northwest to southeast on Friday 10 June 1994. At one

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point the object hovered for a short time before suddenly shooting straight up into the sky and disappearing.

YORK LIFO SIGHTINGS

Postman John Hunt spotted a lemon-coloured sphere above the River Ouse at York on Wednesday 18 May around 8.40pm.

It darted above his river houseboat at a height of approximately 3,000 feet. John commented: "It was going quite fast so I thought it was a plane of some sort. Then as it got closer it looked like a black blob - like a helicopter, but it made no sound at all.

"It shot over my head, I'd say about the speed of a fighter plane, I grabbed my binoculars and ran out of the boat. I managed to get a glimpse of it as suddenly noticed a horseshoeit disappeared.

"It was like a hot-air balloon. only onion-shaped and travelling orange, blue and red lights and at break-neck speed. It had a triangular base which was pointing downwards. I don't know what it was. I know it was the nearby village of Blagden not a plane or helicopter or a hot-air balloon. It was going too fast and there was no wind."

Mr Hunt's sighting was reported in his local newspaper, the York Evening Press, and this prompted York pensioner Nora Breeze to contact them.

Mrs Breeze was bringing in her washing at about 8.00pm the same evening, when she saw the "pale yellow onion-shaped" object in the sky.

"I thought it was a bit strange. It looked like a balloon, but it had no basket or markings. It was stationary when I saw it."

TAUNTON OVERELIGHTS

t 11.20pm on Friday 10 A June 1994, a middle-aged businesswoman was driving south from Taunton in the



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direction of the Blackdown Hills. (The scene of much UFO activity earlier this year). She shaped object hovering in the sky ahead of her. The object was covered by yellow, green, rotated in a cloudless sky.

The witness stopped her car in close to some house lights because she was rather frightened

A Taunton man reported a series of square-shaped white and vellow coloured diffused lights. at 1.30am on Wednesday I June 1994. A second light similar to the first suddenly appeared, following the same flightpath. However, it suddenly turned a bright spotlight down towards the ground.

The witness, who is an experienced observer, insists the lights were not conventional aircraft, due to the light formations and total lack of sound

On the late evening of Monday 20 June 1994, two young men were cycling home near Creech St. Michael, Taunton, when they noticed a round object encircled with strobing multi-coloured lights. The object made no noise 9,30pm. It has been seen to as it hovered overhead.

During the week beginning 13 June 1994, a gentleman from Wellington, Somerset, (a Navaltrained observer) reported a very large off-white coloured object shaped like a 'deep frishee'. The device, which hovered beneath a layer of heavy cloud, appeared larger than an aircraft and remained visible for a few

Credit: Sue Hembury Kellow/ David Thomas, SUFORIN.

MORE WORK FOR LEICESTER RESEARCHERS

M aneuvering and silent flying, is how researchers are describing an object, which circles and hovers above the Burbage, Leicestershire area. The UFO is the latest sighting to come to the attention of the Leicestershire UFO Study

A spokesman for the group claims the craft displays hright red, blue and orange static lights and an extremely bright white flashing light.

The object was last seen over the Sketchley Hill area on Sunday 10 April between 9.00pm and circle and hover for

several minutes at a time at low altitude, but then move off at rapid speed without sound

HED SIGHTINGS OVER DOVER

Mr John Dickson, a local taxi driver in the Dover area, witnessed a saucer-like object in the sky emitting a shaft of light towards the ground. He rejected suggestions that it was a meteor shower and said the object was elongated and had a dome on top

Mr Dickson, who has recently established a local monitoring group, said that he had just dropped a passenger off at about

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don't stop for half-an-hour and then carry on falling."

10.42pm on Thursday 9 June. when he got out to look at the sky. A bright light was visible which appeared stationary before moving away. Another witness, Peter Hughes, also observed the phenomena. Both incredible colours, pastel men claim that they saw an object glowing a grey-green colour with varying brightness. When the object was at its brightest, a dome could be seen on top and a shaft of light came from its bottom, Mr. Dickson said that after two or three minutes it suddenly veered sharply to the right, and performed a zigzagging movement at an 'incredible speed' before finally disappearing.

Mr Hughes insisted it was not a meteorite: "Meteorites move at some speed, they

Another man in the Folkestone area had an unnerving experience driving home in the early hours. He saw a cluster of lights fly about 700 yards ahead of him and low to the ground, "It was a group of orange and blue is the closest description I could give them." He went on to say that his vehicles engine and lights cut out and 'went dead'. On inspection he found that part of

the fuse box had melted into the dashboard.

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There are outright errors in the report. Undoubtedly someone will eventually deal with these. On page 22 one finds: "Thirdly, when such claims are made, they are often attributed to people using pseudonyms or who otherwise do not want to be publicly identified, presumably so that some sort of retribution cannot be taken against them (notwithstanding that nobody has been shown to have died, disappeared or otherwise suffered at the hands of the government during the last 47 years)." It will be noticed that the Air Force makes no mention of the harassment of witnesses that we all know about: the tapping of telephones, the opening of mail, and the breaking into private homes. Finally, on page 3, it states: This report is intended to stand as the final official Air Force response regarding this matter." It is good. Many of us will agree that we have had enough of the same. Nothing has changed. It is the same old story. The old adage, continues to be true, that "sin has many tools, but the lie is the handle that fits them all."



Seventh Annual Ozark UFO Conference

The Seventh Annual Ozark UFO Conference will be held at the Inn of the Ozarks Conference Center in Eureka Springs, Arkansas on April 7-9, 1995. As always, we will attempt to present material relating to various aspects of the UFO subject. The program will include lectures, audiovisual presentations and a panel discussion featuring all of the Conference speakers.

Scheduled speakers include Dr. Bruce Cornet (geologist studying the extensive UFO activity at Pine Bush, NY, as well as working with Richard Hoagland on the analysis of artificial constructions on the Moon), Dr. Michael Zimmerman (Chairman, Department of Philosophy, Tulane University), Ted Phillips (specialist on UFO landing trace cases), Dr. Karla Turner (author of INTO THE FRINGE and TAKENI, discussing her latest book, MASQUERADE OF ANGELS), Robert Stone (hypnotist who, with his wife, experienced a "missing time" episode en route to a previous Ozark UFO Conference!). In addition, we will have our "regulars," Linda Moulton Howe (animal mutilations, UFO encounters, crop circles), George Wingfield (update on 1994 crop circles in England), Forest Crawford (abductee/contactee correlations) and Antonio Huneeus (summary of recent global UFO activity, plus details of a new UFO information system for computers). At least one other speaker may be added to the lineup in the near future.

The registration fee for the Ozark UFO Conference is \$35.00 per person, if paid in advance (through April 1, 1995) or \$40.00 per person at the door. Registration fees should be made payable to OZARK UFO CONFERENCE FUND and may be mailed to: Ozark UFO Conference; Route 1, Box 220; Plumerville, AR 72127-9737. The Conference will begin at 1:00 PM on Friday, April 7th, and will conclude at noon on Sunday, April 9th. Additional information may be obtained by calling (501) 354-

Room reservations may be made by calling the Inn of the Ozarks at (501) 253-9768 or by writing to the Inn at P.O. Box 431, Eureka Springs, AR 72632. Please Indicate that your reservations are for the Ozark UFO Conference in order to obtain their special rate of \$39.00 for single occupancy or \$44.00 for double

Vendor tables will be available in both the upstairs and downstairs portions of the Conference Center. Tables may be reserved at the rate of \$15.00 per table.

Persons wishing to travel to the Conference by air are reminded that they will be flying into Fayetteville (served by four commuter airlines) and we will have a shuttle service operating between the Fayetteville Airport and the Inn of the Ozarks. Please notify us of your flight schedules, so that we can have the shuttle available when you need it.

All sessions of the Conference will be videotaped and order forms for purchasing tapes will be available at the registration table.

The Ozark UFO Conference is a completely independent activity, having no affiliation with any local or national UFO organization or publication. We welcome members of all UFO research groups, as well as anyone else having an interest in the UFO subject. Please join us for what promises to be another highly interesting and informative Conference.

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NEWS FROM AFRICA

UFO at Ruwa

(Avial)

On Friday 16th September, at approximately 10:15, 62 children from Arian School, a private primary school in Ruwa (about 20 km from Harare) were in their playing field for the midmorning break.

Suddenly, they saw three silver balls in the sky over the school. These disappeared with a flash of light and then re-appeared elsewhere. This happened three times and then they started to move down towards the school with one of them landing (or hovering) over a section of rough ground made up of trees, thorn bushes, and some brown-grey cut grass with bamboo shoots sticking up out of the ground. The children are not allowed in this area although it is adjacent to their playing field and is not fenced off, because of snakes, spiders and perhaps other harmful creatures. One can soon disappear from view while walking here, and there is only one very rough track used by tractors in an attempt to clear this area.

There is a line of electricity pylons and according to one boy, the object followed along this line prior to landing. There is also some controversy as to whether the object *landed* on the ground or hovered above it. On Tuesday, 20th September, I went out to the school with a BBC reporter and their television equipment, as well as my son and Gunter Hofer, a young man who builds his own electrical equipment, viz. a Geiger counter, a metal detector and a magnetometer, to try and see if the object left any traces behind.

The headmaster of the school is Mr. Mackie, who was most co-operative, and although he had never been involved with UFOs or a believer in them, said that he believed that the children had seen what they said they saw.

I was able to interview about 10 or 12 of the older children and this was recorded for BBC television. The reports were similar although some children were more observant than others. The consensus of opinion was that an object came down in the area they indicated, about 100 metres from where they were at the edge of the school playing-field. Then a small man (approx. 1 metre in height) appeared on top of the object. He walked a little way across the rough ground, became aware of the children and disappeared. He, or someone very like him, then reappeared back at the object. The object took off very rapidly and disappeared. The little man was dressed in a tight-fitting black suit which was 'shiny' according to one observant girl (11). He had a long scrawny neck and huge eyes like rugby balls. He had a pale face with long black hair coming below his shoulders.

I had suggested to Mr. Mackie prior to visiting the school and before the children had been interviewed, that he let the children draw what they had seen and he now has about 30-40 drawings, some of which are very explicit and clear, although some are rather vague. The childrens' ages vary from 5/6 to 12 years. I have 22 photocopies of the clearer drawings as Mr. Mackie kindly allowed me to page through the pictures and choose those I wanted. Most of the description are similar but some of the craft are very obviously 'flying saucers' and I wonder how many of these children have had access to the media. Others are crude but more or less in this saucer shape.

The children vary in cultures: there are black, white, coloured and Asian children. One little girl said to me, 'I swear by every hair on my head and the whole Bible that I am telling the truth.' I could see the pleasure on her face when I told her that I believed her.

The smaller children from 5-7 years were very frightened at the time and ran shouting 'Help me, help me.' When the older children asked why they were saying this, the reply was, 'He is coming to eat us.' I should think this applied more to the black African children who have legends of tokoloshies eating children.

The teachers were in a meeting and did not come out. When I queried the headmaster about this he said that the children always shouted and yelled during their playtime and no-one thought there was anything unusual going on. The only other adult available at the time was one of the mothers who was running the tuckshop. When the children came to call her, she did not believe them and would not come out: she was not prepared to leave the shop with all the food and money.

Gunter and the men thoroughly examined the ground around where the children had seen the object, but could get no reaction on the geiger counter or on any other equipment. If the object was hovering perhaps nothing would show. I walked, on my own, along the electricity pylons for quite a way, caught up in thorn bushes, tramping blithely over snake holes and discarding all caution. I found no place where some object could have landed and pressed down the foilage. In fact, I should think the bamboo stumps would have been a deterrent. The day was hot, around 33 °C, and I had a long walk through waist-high brush. When I reached home again at about 12:50, I had a headache, my feet ached and I felt disorientated. If you don't hear from me soon, you will know that I did cross the landing site and am probably suffering from a mild dose of radiation!

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SHANGHAI SIGHTING

Numerous citizens in the Shanghai metropolitan area reported spotting UFOs on the afternoon of Nov. 3



the afternoon of Nov. 3, according to the government-funded Wen Wei Po newspaper. One of the spotters was a Bank of China staff member who, while on his way home, stopped his bicycle on a bridge and joined a crowd of people watching a white, revolving object. One woman reported seeing a saucer-shaped object that emitted silvery light rays. Wen Wei Po went on to say that this object split in two, with one part moving away to the east and the other to the west.



UFO POTPOURRI

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The UFO abduction debate, as with many subjects, has been polarized into two specific camps. On the one hand a number of long-time UFO researchers have done indepth research into the abduction issue. They worked with the victims, assisted them in their trauma, and eventually almost all of these researchers reached the conclusion that the abductions are real. On the other hand, several researchers who generally don't work with the victims have concluded, based on their professional knowledge, that the abductions are not real, rather they are simply a manifestation of dreams or sleep paralysis. Neither have proved their case.

Graham Conway sent me an article by Sanjida O'Connell of the Vancouver SUN (15 October 1993) that discusses how to tell if your are dreaming or having a real experience. A portion of the text of her article is as follows:

"We are awake while sleeping," wrote Michel de Montaigne. It is a paradoxical notion. Nevertheless, the sixteenth-century French essayist may have been on to something. When we are asleep we still need to be vigilant. This was important particularly to our ancestors, who vulnerable to attack by predators while sleeping. But even today it could still be vital if, for example, our house were burning down or is our children needed us urgently.

Our dreams are designed not to interfere with this process, says Prof. Donald Symons of the University of California, Santa Barbara. He believes that when we dream we experience only the sensations of vision and movement because all of our other senses are continuously monitoring the environment for danger. In other words. dreams are like a TV in the mind with the sound turned down.

During the phase of sleep accompanied by rapid eye movements (REM), which is associated with dreaming, our muscles are temporarily paralysed and we keep our eyes closed. We are, effectively, blind and immobile -- the only accurate information about movement coming from the position of our joints and muscles. What is left out of dreams is any sensation of temperature, taste, smell, touch, pain or sound other than speech. These are senses that we use to monitor the environment while we sleep.

In this way, you can dream of touching because that sensation is conjured in the brain. but you rarely dream of being touched. Symons argues that if we were to dream of a caress, we might not wake if we really were touched. In the same way, we do not experience dreams of pain. Remember the old adage: If you are not sure that you are dreaming, pinch yourself. If it hurts, you are awake.

As Symons wryly points out: "Any sleeping mammal that regularly hallucinated pain would either have its sleep needlessly interrupted in it awakened each time it experienced pain, or risk sleeping through its transformation into a predator's midnight snack.

Hallucinating sound would also compromise vigilance, which explains why dreams of gunbattles and football matches seem strangely silent. Most of the sound we "hear" is speech, but it is produced inside our heads rather than heard.

But why dream at all? This has constantly puzzled mankind. Religious explanations were common until Freud, Jung and others who claimed dreams were wish-fulfillment, or messages from our collective unconscious minds.

Today, science tends to have a more prosaic interpretation. As Prof. Jim Horne, director of Loughborough Uninversity's sleep research laboratories, puts it: "Far too much has been attributed to dreaming."

Since the 1950s, research has concentrated more on the physiological rather than the Freudian aspects of dreams. At first, this suggested that dreaming aided memory, but patients prescribed anti-depressant drugs that surpress REM do not suffer from memory loss. Instead, Horne argues: "The brain needs to be stimulated and dreams are a substitute for this. Dreaming is just a cinema of the mind that switches on periodically.

About fifteen years ago I worked with the Houston-based VISIT group to examine a number of abduction cases for evidence of technology. Quickly, we found that two distinct categories existed in the literature. One category included a lot of evidence of technology, but the other lacked information on odor, noises, and other sensory data. It was as if one group was actually experiencing the event while the other was viewing the event from afar (like dreaming). This is not unlike the situation described above by Ms. O'Connell. We then proceeded to put together a detailed set of questions for use in future cases that would clearly define whether or not a person was experiencing the event or just dreaming about it. Hopefully, researchers on both sides of the issue will adopt a similar approach. Only in that way will there ever be a consistent set of data resulting from the research.

VERY SMALL TRANSMITTER

The debate about implants goes on. Use of implants and other neat devices are commonly used in animal research today. Just when I thought I had heard it all, G. Conway sent me an article from the Vancouver PROVINCE (30 October 1993). describing a very small transmitter. It said that a tracking transmitter that can be attached to a locust with a drop of wax has been developed by scientists at Konstanz University in Germany. The device, which weighs 0.4 gram, can record every beat of the insect's wings. Until now, the movements of locusts have been observed only in wind tunnels. I guess that the old adage, "You can run, but you cannot hide," is about to come true.

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THE 1897 AIRSHIPS

UFOs, then called airships, were seen in great numbers during the year 1897 in America as evidenced by the print media coverage of the events. Today, some researchers dismiss the 1897 sightings as myths, lies, fables, false reports. and/or sensationalism. Nevertheless, a review of the actual newspaper coverage of the era shows a number of the reports are physically real, solid, flying objects operating in the atmosphere and witnessed by thousands of normal people. Some of the articles poke fun at the witnesses in the same manner as today. Other articles say that the witnesses actually met and spoke with the airship crews. St. Louis. Mo. newspapers devoted a considerable amount of space to airship reports.

The following articles are from the ST. LOUIS STAR.

DISTRESSFUL AIRSHIP Oklahoma Adventists are in a Terror Over the Airship

Norman, Okla., April 12: Adventists who are holding a series of protracted meetings here are highly wrought up over the report of an air ship seen near town. It had a glittering light and moved erratically. All manner of sinister prophecies are being made by the Adventists, until timid people are well nigh distracted.

ITS AN OLD AIRSHIP Delaware Farmers Saw it as Early as Last January

Wilmington, Del., April 13: Since the mysterious airship has been reported from the West, a number of farmers here declare that they saw the same heavenly visitor over Delaware in January.

AGAIN VISIBLE

Mysterious Airship Seen Over Taylor Avenue. It was traveling in an Easterly Direction.

St. Louis, Mo., April 14: The mysterious airship was again visible, Tuesday night, but it seemed to confine its maneuvers to that portion of the city lying west of Taylor Avenue, and between Delmar and St. Louis avenues. It was plainly visible from the Christian Brothers' College and the Sixth District Police Station. On Page avenue it seemed to be directly overhead, and was traveling West to East almost in a straight line. At Taylor avenue, two blocks from the car shed of the Lindell Railway, the mysterious object seemed to dart upwards, and

thick clouds quickly hid the light.

OTHER MICHIGAN REPORTS

Detroit, Mich., April 14: Reports from Coldwater, Battle Creek, Kalamazoo, and Niles state that the airship was distinctly seen in the heavens last night It was about a mile high, and floated a blazing white light in front and red and green lights at the sides.

VOICES IN THE SKY More Details of the Airship in the Heavens Over Buckeyedom

Dunkirk, O., April 16: The mysterious airship has passed here. It was seen in the eastern part of the town within 300 feet of the ground. Marshall Mahon and others heard passengers in the airship talking loudly. At Casston, O., farmer James McKenzie reports that the airship passed over his farm. He saw something white thrown from the vehicle. A party will leave here to search for the supposed message.

THAT AIRSHIP

Reputable Men About Bloomington, ILL., Have Seen it

Bloomington, ILL., April 17: Reports of the mysterious airship were frequent last night. Telegraph operators at Rinken and Arrowsmith reported the ship sighted at 7:30 o'clock. A train crew saw the ship at Woodford, at 8:00 o'clock. A few minutes later an Illinois passenger train arrived, and it was reported that a number of the train crew saw the ship between Barnes and Marna. At Vincennes, Ind., more than a score of reputable men saw the airship early last night.

EDISON SKEPTICAL Does Not Think the Airship Question has Been Solved

New York, April 20: Thomas A. Edison does not think much of airships. He was seen in his West Orange laboratory in regard to a late account of the movement of the airship, according to which a letter was dropped from it on a farm near Astoria, Ill., with a copper enclosure and addressed to Edison and signed "C.L. Harris, Electrician Airship No. 3." He said: "You can take it from me that it is pure fiction. I have had several men named Harris in my employ, but I know nothing of C.L. Harris. I have no doubt that airships will be successfully constructed in the near future, but it will not be in the form of a balloon. It will be a mechanical contrivance, which will be raised by means of a powerful motor......"

THAT AIRSHIP Postmaster at Greenfield, ILL. Gets a Look at it

Greenfield, ILL., April 20: The much talked about airship made its appearance in this area vesterday afternoon, and is vouched for by several farmers residing east of this place; but M.G. Sisson. postmaster at this place, was the most favored spectator. He was out walking in the woods that line the banks of Taylor Creek, about three miles east of here. He had just started to return to the city when his dog, which accompanied him, ran to him and crouched at his feet in abject terror. Mr. Sisson tried to drive the dog away from him, but his efforts were futile. He then thought of the much talked about panther that had been seen in that vicinity about a year ago, and supposedly that it might be possible that it was still lurking around. Presently he heard a noise which seemed to come from above, and looking upward and to the northwest he beheld the airship approaching him. It was about DISPATCH Saturday morning from correspondents 150 feet from the ground, but was not traveling very rapidly...... He was discovered by the people on board, and immediately the speed of the ship was increased and it rapidly rose to a great height. It passed about 100 feet above him, and by its close proximity he was enabled to get a very good view of it. It was about 100 feet in length and 15 feet in diameter, at its largest point. Its depth was probably 25 feet. It looked as if it was made of metal, and around its sides there was a walk or deck which was protected by a kind of railing or network....

WAY OUT OF DATE Milan, MO., Has Just Seen the Wonderful Airship

MILAN, MO., April 24: The much-talked-about airship made its appearance in this city this week and was seen by a number of reputable people. Nothing was visible except an object which resembled the headlight of an engine. It seemed to come from the southwest until it got directly over the city: then it took a southeasterly course and soon disappeared.

The following articles are from the ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH:

AIRSHIP IN THE HEAVENS Washington University Professors Puzzled and Will Watch the Sky To-Night

ST. LOUIS, MO., April 10: Telescopes from Washington and St. Louis Universities will sweep the skies from zenith to horizon in a northwesterly

direction Saturday night and the professors at these institutions will endeavor to solve the mystery that is now puzzling the Central West. It is general belief that an air ship is floating over the states of Missouri, Illinois, Iowa and Kansas. This belief is entertained by men of scientific attainments as well as those not so well versed in the field of natural philosophy. The rumor that a strange aerial body had been seen became current a fortnight ago and was laughed at. It was repeated and wise men said the nocturnal observers were suffering from optical illusions due to excessive libations, or that the light from a brilliant star had been magnified by the imagination. Within the last three days the evidence that something unusual is moving midst the clouds has become so conclusive and has so much corroboration that the wiseacres have ceased to libe, and while wondering what the mystery can be, they are doing their utmost to solve it.

Telegrams were received by the POSTin four central states stating that a luminous body had been seen moving in a northwesterly direction Friday night. Different colored lights were seen flashing from the object, and its lines were easily distinguished. It was viewed by thousands at Chicago, and was declared by Max L. Hosmar, Secretary of the Chicago Aeronautical Association. to be an airship... Prof. Hough of Northwestern University said that it must have been a star that was seen, but thousands of Chicagoans ridicule the

A POST DISPATCH reporter visited Union Station Saturday and interviewed train hands and passengers arriving from the West and Northwest. They all said the air-ship was the one topic of conversation in the region through which they passed. Hundreds has seen the object and all were mystified.

Visits were then paid Washington and St. Louis Universities. At the former, Prof. Henry S. Pritchett was found in the laboratory. "I know what you wish to speak about," he said when the reporter entered, "and I will frankly tell you I am as mystified as anyone. Can it be possible that it is an airship? Why, of course it can. .. " When asked about Prof. Hough's claim it was a star, he said: "That is not possible. In the first place Venus it the bright star at present and everybody knows Venus. She is not in that part of the heavens where the lights have been seen. It has been cloudy in those areas..., so the star must have been obscured, and that night it (the airship) was seen between the clouds and the Earth.....

Knox gripped by reat balls of fir

by KATY ASHLEY-GRIFFITHS

O mania has gripped Knox, with an increasing number of residents reporting strange objects in the sky.

No-one yet has been able to establish if the cause of the bright lights is some bizarre phenomenon or end-of-school hoaxers.

Residents have inundated the Knox News in recent weeks, describing odd glowing balls of light hovering over the municipality

Residents in The Basin and Boronia, motorists travelling through Knoxfield and Ferntree Gully and shoppers at Mountain Gate witnessed strange

lights in the sky last Thursday and Friday week. Carmen Micallef. of The Basin, said she saw three distinctive orange lights in the sky between 8 and 8.30pm on the Thursday.

Ms Micallef said the lights danced high in the sky for about 30 minutes before "taking off".

She said neighbors woke their children so they

could see the lights. A resident of Rowan Ave. Boronia, said he and a friend were working on a car when they saw the

lights hovering in the sky. And Alf Armstrong, of Rowville, said he saw two orange lights as he drove along Burwood Highway at dusk on Friday night.

Mr Armstrong pulled off the road to watch the

About 10 other motorists had also stopped to stare in amazement.

Another motorist saw two lights as she drove along Burwood Highway from Knoxfield to Fern-

tree Gully on Friday.

The Australian UFO Research Society has fielded numerous calls about sightings.

Spokeswoman Judy Magee said she would inves-

tigate the reports, but they could be a hoax.
"It's that time of year when kids are taking time off to swat for exams — this (similar reported sightings) happened at the same time last year." she

UFO Report and Sighting Hotline spokesman Ross Dowe said he received dozens of calls about orange balls of light heading in a north-easterly direction through the sky.

Mr Dowe said it was possible the balls of light were a hoax but it was unusual that so many people had reported seeing them in different areas.

He said the Knox area "seems very interesting at the moment'

Last month a Knox woman called the hotline to report a fireball which darted through her house at the height of a ferocious thunderstorm (News, October 10)

Since then many residents have reported seeing strange phenomena.

Knox Police Sen-Sgt Phil Edmunds said he was not aware of any reports of strange sightings to

He said the lights people were witnessing could be someone playing tricks or people discarding flares before the boating season.

Sen-Sgt Edmunds said media hype could encourage people to pull potentially dangerous hoaxes.

Resident says UFO ystery just hot air

by KATY ASHLEY-GRIFFITHS

NOX'S UFO 'mystery' appears to be just hot air. A Boronia resident says she has solved the mystery of Knox's UFOs after watching in astonishment as one of three bright orange balls crashed onto her roof

Claire Rae discovered the mysterious lights, witnessed by dozens of residents in recent weeks, were huge garbage bags with suspended baskets containing debris which smelt "like the remains of fire lighters".

"I was outside seeing a girlfriend off about 8.30pm on the Thursday (the night many others reported the bright

lights)," she said Herald-

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Melb.

Jiose encounter

A BRITISH Airways jet had a close encounter with a fast-moving UFO, it has been claimed.

The British Civil Aviation Authority yesterday launched an inquiry into the incident after the pilots reported a brightly-lit triangular object hurtled towards them before veering off.

Air traffic control informed them there were no other places in the avera Initially the pilots did not

other planes in the area. Initially the pilots did not

lodge a report for fear of being ridiculed.

The Boeing 737 — heading for Manchester from Milan on January 6 with 60 people on board — was

flying over the Pennine Mountains when it was "buzzed" by the object.

CAA spokesman Chris Mason said suggestions the object was a UFO were "purely speculative".

Near-miss incidents often "turn out to be air balloons or small private aircraft", he said.





MYSTERY uncovered: Claire Rae says Knox' UFO puzzle was just hot air.



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IS WARP SPEED POSSIBLE?

According to The Saturday Sun. (London) June 11, 1994, STAR TREK Common in England on May 27,1994. He creator Gene Roddenberry may have been right when he invented "warp" travel through space.

relativity theory working at the University of Wales in Cardiff, said he had proved mathematically that "warp" or faster-thanlight travel is possible.

tenets of Einstein's theory of relativity - year. that nothing can travel faster than the speed of light. But Alcubierre said in a letter to the journal CLASSICAL AND QUANTUM GRAVITY that space can be unnatural speed.

This would solve one of the main near Mount Baldy. problems of space travel - the immense distances involved mean it would take generations to reach even nearby solar systems.

this space-time continuum."

UFO AT BURBAGE, ENGLAND

The April 14, 1994 issue of the HINCKLEY TIMES reported the flight of a silent flying object, which circles and hovers above the Burbage area. The craft displays bright red, blue and orange static lights and an extremely bright white flashing light. It has been seen to circle and hover for several minutes at an extremely low height, but can move off at a rapid rate-of-speed without a sound. All witnesses report the same thing.

DRIVER SPOTS UFO

Ron Cowl saw a UFO over Strensall said he saw the yellow light between 200 and 300 feet above the ground while driving home from York to Strensall. He Physicist Miguel Alcubierre, an expert in said "I thought it was a street light at first, but it was too height in the sky." He watched the light, which he estimated to be six to ten feet in diameter, for half a minute before it disappeared. More than Such an idea violates one of the basic 20 other UFOs have been in the area this

30 UFOs OVER OREGON

A Grants Pass, Oregon resident told warped or distorted, giving the effect of police at 2:49 am on August 17, 1994 that he had seen 30 flying objects in the sky

HUNGARIAN OFFICIAL & UFOs

The London DAILY TELEGRAPH Alcubierre said "it's more like an reported on July 29, 1994 that Gyorgi argument of principle. It won't violate Keleti, the Hungarian Defense Minister is necessarily any of the laws of nature that keenly interested in UFOs. Col. Keleti is a we know today. Modern physics holds member of the Socialist Party, which won that space and time are connected. Large national elections in May. The 48-year objects such as planets and stars distort old Colonel, trained radio operator, is a professional soldier with a long service record in the Hungarian army.

> Many of the UFO sightings he describes were compiled from reports from Hungarian soldiers.

COL. CHARLES HALT SPEAKS

Col. Charles Halt, a witness in the 1980 UFO landing at RAF Woodbridge returned to England to speak openly about the incident. He began as a skeptic, but now believes he saw something beyond what we can understand that was not built by any government on Earth.



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Eve speaking....

rom time to time, among the assorted people brought into my life by your Editor, one will draw me aside, and, ever so gently, try to make me admit that he - my husband - is mad. Dr. Stephen Black, one-time BBC tame psychiatrist, tried it once in the kitchen whilst my house was being taken over by a pretty screwy BBC television crew who ended up by fusing everything. Then there was a journalist from Time magazine with a like enquiry but she at least ended by quoting me fairly accurately: "Everybody loves a mystery." (Your Editor, of course, more than most, just loves a mystery, and we

have a mystery backed up by evidence which satisfies even the Queen's Counsellor among our Consultants.)

There was also a farmer, alarmed by corncircles and the media people in about equal proportions. He was relieved to find us — as he thought — sane, and even sceptical.

But anyway it is confirmed now about the sanity. Carleton University, Ottawa, reporting in the November 1993 Journal of Abnormal Psychology, found that UFO buffs were as healthy, intelligent and down-to-earth as anybody else. (See FSR 38/4, foot of page 5).

So if you love a mystery too, be reassured — you are sane, and if you are a reader of FSR you are a member of an elite, because believe you me, the people who take me aside and try to prove my husband mad are few, compared with the ones who grant him at least pop-star status, and tell me to look after him very, very well indeed.

Which I think I do, because, if your Editor is the brains of FSR, I am the hands and feet. Your Editor proposes, and I dispose, and behold, the printed magazine lands on your mat in the hall. I would like to see it land on more mats, in more halls, next year.

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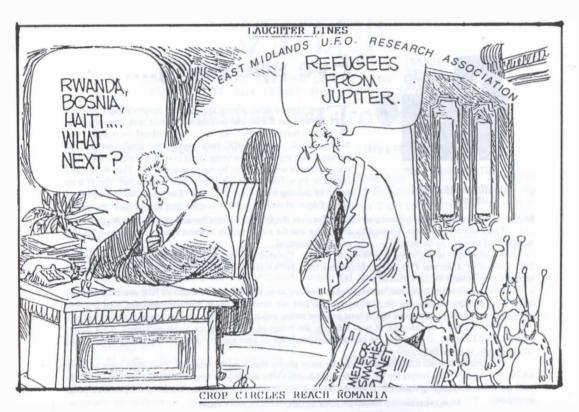
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VUFORS published a Profile on Gordon Creighton a couple years ago. A man who is capable of speaking so many languages and dialects as he, and of keeping FSR going as long and as well as it is doing, just has to be sane, and VUFORS editors can vouch for it, since we have met him!

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By C James.

Two crop circles appeared in Arad, a regional town near the Romanian/Hungarian border on June 20th. Both cirles measured 6 metres in diameter, with an outer ring measuring 42 metres. The band of the outer ring measured 4 metres in width. All the corn within the circle was firmly pressed down in an anticlockwise direction, and the crop was interwoven, or plaited.

What makes these crop circles different, is that they were witnessed being made - and not by hoaxers.

There were several witnesses, who described a strange light over the field, and a whistling noise, although there was no wind. The corn started rippling and then bent over double.

One witness, Traian Crisan, a 48 year old sheep farmer was checking his sheep at approximately 4.am, when he saw a large light approaching - which he described as "like the moon, but much larger ". When the light came within 5 metres, a sudden powerful blast of wind blew away his hat and cape and knocked him to the ground, where he lay clinging to a bush. Traian described the object as completely round, which emitted a whistling noise. The object remained motionless above the wheat for two minutes or so before taking off straight upwards.

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THE Courtesy of Eurufon News No3, April 1991 EUROPEAN DIMENSION

SECURITY POLICE INVESTIGATES 'CIGAR' SIGHTING

by Clas Svahn

UFO sightings in broad daylight involving several witnesses are not common. However, such an incident took place at Håknäs, 40 kM south of Umeå in the north of Sweden, in the autumn of 1991. As long as the investigation is in progress, the witnesses must remain anonymous. This is one of many: cases where representatives of the Swedish Security Police (SÄ-PO) have been ordered, by the military forces, to investigate a UFO sighting.

It was shortly after 19.00 hours on August 25th 1991 when a married couple had just settled down in front of their TV set to watch the local news. It was still almost two hours before sunset and the sky was blue with a few clouds on the horizon.

Shortly thereafter, their daughter arrived from Umeå. She drove up to the house, turned the engine off and got out of the car.

This is her description of what followed:-

"As I got out of the car, I heard the dull sound of an engine from above. I looked up and saw an object above the red house in the yard. The object, which moved slowly across the sky, was cylindrical and white. It had a pointed front and was blunt at the rear; it looked like a piece of piping. At first I thought it was an aeroplane, but it had no windows or wings; nothing. I ran up the steps to the front door and called out to my mother and father to come outside and look."

Her parents hurried out and all three of them could see the strange object moving across the blue evening sky. "Yes, it is almost unbelievable," said her father. "In fact, in my opinion an object like that shouldn't be able to fly. I saw no wings or fins and no opening; just a tube. We watched it for quite a while, perhaps for 30 seconds, and I had time to run back into the house to search for a pair of binoculars, which I didn't find, and then run back out again before the object disappeared."

The three astonished witnesses watched the object slowly moving in a northwesterly direction then disappear into a small cloud on the horizon. By then it was at such a distance that no engine sound could be heard.

Interior With The Security Police

I have spent much time and energy on this case and I wouldn't have done so if the witnesses had not been completely reliable. The SÄPO, who's



dealing with the Håknäs incident, interviewed all three witnesses. The daughter was questioned at her place of work in Umeå, her parents at their home. The result of the investigation was that there is no indication the story is false: an unknown object violated Swedish airspace.

The SÄPO report, which is six pages long, is classified for the protection of the realm. We are not allowed to see it. but we were however allowed to talk to the Security Police officer who conducted the investigation. He said, "I have met these people, and in my judgement, they can be trusted. They are sensible people and we have found several witnesses who also saw the object and gave us so many details. This makes it very interesting and we have reason to trust these reports. As for what this could be ... it could be one of several things such as a missile or airplane reflecting hot air, or it could have been something else. We have not come to a final conclusion... since I have not been able to obtain a reasonable explanation for this thing in Håknäs and I'm actually still thinking that it may be a flying object belonging to the secret service of another country: I don't consider that out of the ques-

When asked about possible radar returns, he replied, "There was nothing untoward, but we know that we shouldn't take the technical side of radar too seriously as it isn't one hundred percent foolproof. Large objects may not be visible since radar system cover different layers of the atmosphere and don't give total coverage from the ground upwards."

The Engine Sound

The most puzzling detail of the whole observation is the engine sound. The man, who is slightly hard of hearing, could not hear it, but his daughter describes it as a very low-speed combustion engine. She told the Security Police that "a V-8 engine in an old American car... is a high-speed engine compared to this".

During my long conversation with the security policeman, he admits that puzzles him. "In that case, the object would be driven by a combustion engine at very low pitch, which is technically possible, but disagrees completely with all known information about missiles and their operation."

MINIATURE STEALTH-LIKE PLANE OVER LAKE VÄTTERN

by Clas Syahn

One of the few Swedish daytime sightings in 1992 occurred in Brandstorp, south of Hio, on 20th June. It was reported to UFO-SWEDEN the same day. Three days later, Clas Svahn and Håkan Blomqvist visited the village and interviewed the witnesses.

Brandstorp is a small place between Hio and Jönköping on the shores of Lake Vättern, Sweden's second largest lake, where we met Hans and Seija Augustsson in the garden behind their house. They told us about their experience in a low voice, without a lot of fuss. It was not the object itself which puzzled them most, but the sound; that strange, undefinable sound.

At The Marina

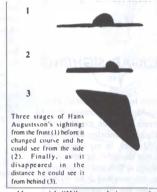
It was almost 11.00 on June 20th and the sun was shining from a clear, blue sky. It was 20 oC and Lake Vättern was as smooth as a mirror. The witnesses had some relatives staying with them there were five of them in all - and the party decided to walk to the Marina, from which you can see the island of Visingö. As they reached the water, Hans and two other men (a cousin and Hans' brother-in-law), walked down to the area where the boats are overhauled. Seija and the cousin's wife continued walking towards the breakwater, where they stopped and chatted.

Hans said, "While we were walking and talking. I happened to look up at a point just over the treetops when I saw something small and black coming towards us. At first, I thought it was a small, black bird. That thought had just about entered my mind when I saw that it was an object flying at an incredible speed. I called out to the other: Look up there, what is that?"

The instance Hans called out, the object was already over the lake. It happened very quickly and he never got around to using his binoculars, which he carried in his hand. He said, "By the time everyone was looking up, the object had become a small, black dot in the distance. I observed it for 5 or 6 seconds at the most, but we all heard the sound SWISH. It wasn't really the sound of an engine, it was just a suction as if something had passed at great speed."

On the other side of the marina, Seija and the other woman heard Hans calling out. Seija said, "We stood on the

pier some 15-20 metres away from them and we didn't know what the men were talking about. Then I heard a sound, and so did my friend, but we didn't react to it. It was a sound you hear when you dream about space; a metallic, cosmic sound... I have never heard that sound before. It was a sound which gave you an impression of speed and strength, but it wasn't loud; there's no name for it in my opinion."



Hans said, "What stuck in my mind was the moment when I saw the object above the treetops. I could see something which looked like wings and something like a cockpit. The plane was completely black and was so small that I didn't react until it was above the lake. The object came from above, made a turn, and continued in a straight, northerly direction. I saw the cockpit very clearly and, as we saw it diagonally from behind, I thought it resembled a delta-winged aircraft. We got no chance to see much more of it before it was gone. When I called out, "Look up there!" and everyone looked up, it was gone, and that's when the sound came."

UFO-SWEDEN contacted the duty officer at the F6 Air Force Wing at Karlsborg the same day the observation took place, and the Information Department of the Air Staff in Stockholm the next day. Both stated that no military activity had taken place in the area concerned. The only airborne aircraft on that day was on a mission over the

Another witness came to our attention. She had heard a similar sound in the afternoon of the same day between 16.00 and 17.00 hrs. The woman, who wishes to remain incognito, live in Hjo, gave the following description of the

"I was at work when I heard a strange sound from above the house. My immediate reaction was that a flying saucer had passed over the roof. It sounded exactly as I had imagined such a thing would sound like; an eerie. cosmic sound."

The woman rushed out to see what it was, but there was nothing to observe. Of course, it is impossible to say if there is any connection between these two reports since they are separated in time by 4-5 hours,

In any case, the Brandstorp incident must be labelled as a UFO.

Translation: Christina Gufstafsson.

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Names and addresses of active **UFO** groups and/or UFO publications

I am in the process of trying to compile a comprehensive directory of all UFO groups from around the world. No group is too small or too large. I would also like to include UFO publications, from news-stand magazines to the more simpler form of newsletters. If you are involved in any such activities please send us as much detail as you can to:-

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8th INTERNATIONAL UFO CONGRESS UFO's: EXAMINING THE EVIDENCE

The 8th International UFO Congress organised by the British UFO Research Association, will take place at the University of Hallam, Pennine Theatre, Sheffield, South Yorkshire. The Congress will take place over the weekend of August 19 & 20, 1995.

The 1995 Congress will be in honour of Mr Walter Andrus, International Director of the Mutual UFO Network. Mr Andrus will conduct the bpening and closing ceremonies and he will be the recipient of a special presentation on behalf of BUFORA for his services to ufology.

The provisional line-up of speakers at this years Congress is probably one of the most interesting for many years. As you will see below the Congress is indeed international in every sense of the word.

Provisional line-up of speakers:

Dr Leo Sprinkle (USA), Vicente-Juan Ballester-Olmos (Spain), Jiles Hamilton (USA), Per Andersen (Denmark), Malcolm Robinson (Scotland), Cynthia Hind (Zimbabwe), Peter Robbins (USA), Maurizio Verga (Italy), Dr Helmut Lammer (Austria), John Carpenter (USA), John Spencer (England).

Special Announcement:

We sincerely hope, after many years of trying, to have at this years Congress the first Russian scientist to lecture on the UFO subject anywhere in the UK. Dr Sargey Charmouss is a senior research assistant at the Polar Geophysical Institute in Murmansk, Russia. Dr Chernouss's field of scientific study is atmospheric physics and optical studies of aurora and other atmospheric phenomenon. He has been a member of the Russian Academy and has studied the UFO phenomenon since 1978. It is only the lack of finance that is preventing Dr Chernouss speaking at the Congress. Dr Chernouss is hopeful that he will be able to resolve this problem in the near future.

The Venue:

The Pennine Theatre at the University of Hallam in Sheffield is a purpose-built high-tech lecture theatre that is ideal for our needs. Air conditioned and comfortable and centrally situated in the heart of Sheffield. Accompdation at a nearby hotel and a special Congress buffet has also been organised.

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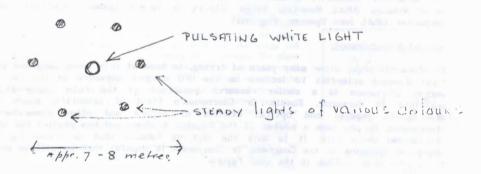
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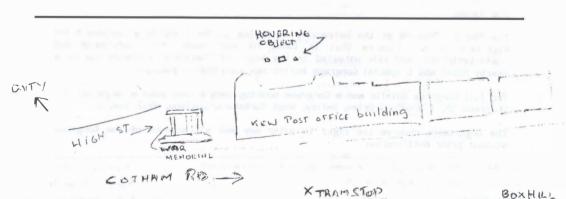
Victorian pranksters and hoaxers continue their "work" primarily in and around the Dandenongs area.

Lighted garbage bags continue to fall, some have come down on houses, creating danger of fire. As there are so many incidents originating from that area, all reports are treated with extreme caution.

August 19. 1988. 10 pm. A tram inspector who had relieved the regular tram driver, was approaching kew Junction, the pulsating light remained in the same spot above kew Post Office. He first thought it was a police helicopter. The object hovered approximately 6 to 10 metres above the building. The pulsating white light was surrounded by five coloured lights. After he left the tram, he could hear no noise. The "craft" moved away quickly and silently above the Northern building of Cotham Road in the direction of Box Hill. The Police reported that they had no aircraft in the area at that time.

In the space below, please sketch the object with as much detail as possible:





MIDNT ALBERT

Sighting Reports

VUFORS is in receipt of a close encounter report of May 9th. 1988. The three experiencers hesitated to report the event for fear of ridicule. They desire to remain anonymous. This is reported to be a missing time case.

At 10.30 pm. The witnesses reported seeing 12 small orange lights dancing around in the sky. They got out of the car and watched objects for "a long time". The last they remembered was a huge white, round object "as big as the MCG" (Melbourne Cricket Ground) which appeared directly overhead. Total time of the observation is given as 5 hours, including the missing time. A sound similar to humming power lines came from the large UFO. They had the impression it was drawing power from nearby power lines.

The report has been referred to VUFORS support group for follow-up.

On the 8th September, 1994 at 12.45 a.m. Witnesses observed a huge horse-shoe shaped object flying towards south west over the Newell Highway in New South Wales. The object passed directly over the two vehicles, one a Company Vehicle, the other a motorist who stood beside his kombi Van with a video camera filming the object. There were other witnesses with C.B. radios discussing the object as they travelled along the highway.

The sighting was reported to VUFORS by a Victorian lady who had a very clear view of the object - and who wishes to remain anonymous - as it approached her location and passed silently directly overhead. She described the size of the UFO as being "as large as a Safeway complex with the open end large enough that a light aircrft could fly into".

As it passed overhead, she could see the bottom clearly. It had the appearance of aluminium, blocked out in squares around the edges of the 'craft'. It had many lights, mostly yellow, but with flecks of green and blue.

A detailed report will be posted to a N.S.W co!league for follow-up.

Plint Sandy Bremner with his Piper Cherokee 'flying saucer'

The UFO pilot comes down from the clouds

MEET the pilot of the UFO responsible for the flying saucer sightings over Sydney last weekend.

The very terrestrial pilot is 38-year-old Sandy-Bremper, of Gremorne, and his flying saucer is a common light plane with a unique lighting system attached to the underside of the wings for advertising suppresses

to the underside of the wings for advertising purposes.

Flights by Sandy last Friday and Saturday night sparked doesns of UFO sightings which were reported to The Sunday Telegraph and the RAAF by people anticipating a close encounter.

But all those people who swore they saw a UFO — and not a plane — can take heart. Both Sandy and the man who designed the Nite-Lites advertising, Western Australian Fred Hampton, concede the plane "could look like a flying saucer" when viewed from an angle or at long range.

In fact, Fred unashamedly admitted he had designed the lighting so as to create the illusion of a flying saucer.

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create the illusion of a flying saucer,

However, he was emphatic that if people looked closely they would see the UFO was simply a light plane with a lighting system underneath.

The system is remarkably simple. It is a 2.5 metre wide, 12 metre long metal and wire lattice with 360 tiny light globes attached. A computer inside the cockpit of the single-engined Piper Charokse enables the pilet to flash any message across the lattice.

Last weekend the system was being used to promote Aeroplane Jelly and radio station 2GB.

Fred, a 46-year-old who described himself as an aircraft advertising man, came up with the idea for Nite-Lites in action.

Although it took him four years to get Department of Aviation approval to operate Nite Lites here, Fred said his



☐ The UFO sighting headlines

system had been airborne for three years, mainly over Western Australia. "We've used it in the west, Adelaide, Brisbane and the Gold Coast before, but last weekend was the first time we operated it over Sydney." he said.

Asked whether it had provoked simi-lar rashes of UFO sightings when used

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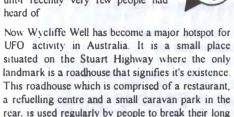


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NORTHEN TERRITORY
In The Grip of A UFO Flap
by Brad Flanders

The following accounts are from a place in the Northern Territory, that until recently very few people had heard of

following events.



drive and has played it's part in some of the

These accounts start from the 7th of September when I first spoke to my contact who had witnessed these strange lights firsthand. He informed me that the sightings had started some four weeks prior and there had been many more witnessed since. At first the sightings were of one object apparently stopping, descending, then rising again in the distance. Gradually as time went on, more and more objects became visible.

On the night of the 7th of September there were at least five objects visible at once in the north, south, east and west. These objects were described as orange balls with red and green lights following one another around the edge of the objects. On occasions when this object was on the ground or just above, it was seen riving and a red light emitting from it's base, giving the impression of thrust

On another occasion when the media were present, two jets, presumably military, came on to the scene. All the objects disappeared in response. In this situation who would you pick as the agressor?

One evening curious witnesses made their way towards the area where lights were seen to be landing. While the object was visible some distance away, a greyish light was seen emitting from the top of the dome-shaped craft as if it was searching the surrounding area. Witnesses instinctively stepped backwards when they thought was moving towards them. Objects

were thought to be on the ground for

approximately ten minutes at a time. No

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Witnesses to these incidents vary from employees, truck drivers, media, gasline construction workers, skeptics (past tense) and travellers who pull in to fuel up.

On the 15th of September, a woman from the USA who was herself a ufologist, arrived at the roadhouse asking for a UFO tour. She was told that there was no tour but plenty of sightings. She was informed of the area where she may view these spectacular events which was known as "Devils Marble".

The area hosts large round boulders and Is set in an unusual landscape. Two people from the caravan park accompanied the lady to this area where they were about to witness an amazing event. That evening for approximately four hours they watched in awe as a large object released many smaller balls of light varying in colour from green to red to orange. They were described as "popping" in and out of the larger object.

Whilst the witnesses were still observing this unusual event, one witness lit up a cigarette and immediately a light blinked on from the craft as if mimicking the action. They tried shining a flashlight at the craft and once again the craft copied them. Whilst continuing to watch the objects the witnesses heard their radio crackle then go off, only to be replaced by weird noises or tunes they could only explain as something you would expect to hear on a sci-fi film. Two of the witnesses were fairly skeptical until then.

They had cameras on hand and took photographs. Unfortunately due to incorrect lighting none of the shots turned out. The lady from America, known as Alexandra, also took photographs but returned to the USA the next morning. The outcome of her shots is still unknown.

On another occasion separate to the previous incident, at approximately 2am on the 10th of September, two witnesses watched a large orange ball moving along in the sky approximately 2 km away. They later reported this to the media.

On the 20th of September I was told that on the previous night at 7pm, a bus load of people were having their dinner at the roadhouse, when one

man brought the others' attention to a moving light in the distant sky. All the people (approx 50) ran outside to see what was going on

-Australian Sighting Reports

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19940705 0020 EST OR SA 1990704 2350 SA KINGSTON ON MURRAY

2 Large yellow/orange lights followed witness' vehicle for some distance then flew off at exceptional speed. Not identified.

19940720 1414 EST NSW PENRITH

2 Smoke grey dome shaped objects came from west to east then made a horseshoe turn and returned to the west very tast. Not identified.

19940726 1815 to 2100 EST NSW DORA CREEK

Very large oblong orange object/light alternatively hovered for long periods. Then shot off and away very fast. Later in evening large bright white light shot across sky.

Not identified.

19940823 2115 EST NSW GOROKON.

Large bright red/orange light with red light on top - flashed orange beam. Moved backwards across sky - intelligent actions. Not identified.

19940827 2000 EST NSW. 2010 NTH.NEWCASTLE. 2015 SWANSEA.

From a distance a large red/orange glow - when overhead appeared as an enormous object with 6 lights underneath. It moved very quickly in a southerly direction over Newcastle then slowed at Swansea to a near hover over Lake Macquarie.

Not identified.

19940905 2145 EST SA MORPHETT VALE

2 Orange/red solid glows of light moved. Hovered then shot away. Still investigating.

noise was evident at any time.

Sighting Reports

continued

19941023 1915 EST NT OENPELLI

3 Bright white lights rose separately from the horizon. One at a time, joined together then disappeared.

Not identified.

19941106 0400 to 0800 EST NSW ULLADULLA

Many strange yellow glows moving north to south across the sky (wind westerly) and 7 irredescent green "balls" with transparent purple square pyramids on top which were hovering. This one has us baffled. Witness is a family man.

19940615 0140 EST. NSW MERRYLANDS.

Large light - bright green at first - changed to orange with flashing opque white lights. Hovered for 45 minutes. simultaneous power cuts - car alarms and dogs went beserk. Still investigating.

19940615 1045 EST: NSW NTH.ENTRANCE

White object - similar to a "ball" of cloud - 2 red lights underneath - appeared to be following a small plane - erratic speed and altitude - not consistent to plane. Not identified.

19940619 0200 EST QLD Woodhill

Pulsating gold light made strange movements - hovered - rocked - emitted red and green flashes from underneath. A "diamond" type object burst from below and the gold light dipped then toof off at incredible speed to the west.

Not identified.

19940620 2120 EST NSW SYDNEY NORTHERN BEACHES

Bright object pulsating red - orange - yellow, moved slowly south east to north west. Hovered - moved fast to the north - moved south - then upwards and away to NNE very fast.

19941022 1945 EST WA FREEMANTLE.

Brilliant white light. Travelled east to west at high altitude, then reversed and went back to the east very fast.

Not identified.

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Book Review....PROJECT DELTA A study of Multiple U.F.O. by Richard Haines.

Richard Haines is a former N.A.S.A. Research Scientist who specialised in Optics and Vision. Since leaving N.A.S.A. he has written several books on the subject of UFOs including one on the Valentich case titled "Melbourne Episode, a case study of a missing pilot". This book differs from the others in that it only includes those cases involving two or more UFOs, and in many cases more than one witness to the sighting.

Another typical trademark of the author is his preference for sighting reports made by Pilots over those made by ordinary Citizens. Surprisingly, this books reports span the years from 1504 B.C. to 1993. and they are arranged in an apparently random fashion, accessible only by the use of a Date Index. So, if you want to look up a particular incident, you start with the date of the event and go from there.

Of course there were no Aircraft pilots that we know of in 1504 B.C., but this case lasted for days over Egypt and the Pharoah Thutmose III was only one among thousands who saw the strange objects.

Project Delta is not something that you just pick up and read from cover to cover but rather makes a concise and practical multiple U.F.O. reference book.

There are 473 cases cited involving from 2 to hundreds of UFOs.

In his conclusion Haines states, "The likelihood that earth is being visited by highly advanced aerospace vehicles under "intelligent" control is very high indeed if the present data is to be taken seriously"...and "Writing this book has had a rather profound effect on me. I have had to confront my own initial deeply seated scepticism and closed mindedness. I challenge you to consider the real implications of the present data for yourself".

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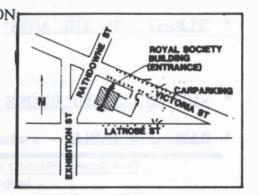
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At this point perhaps it may be opportune to present a brief history of the Victorian U.F.O. Research Society.

The earliest U.F.O. group to form in Australia was the "Australian Flying Saucer Bureau" under the direction of Edgar Jarrold and Andrew Tomas, in the early 1950s. At the same time, Fred Stone inaugurated the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" in Adelaide. After approximately two years the Bureau closed down and was regarded as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" under Andrew Tomas. This shortly broke from Adelaide and became the "Australian U.F.O. Investigation Centre" with Dr. Clifford at its head until 1958, when the Presidency passed to Dr. Lindtner.

The "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society (Victorian Branch)" was formed on the 17th February, 1957 as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" and later that year was re-organised as the "Victorian Flying Saucer Research Society" with Mr. Peter E. Norris L.L.B. as President. In 1968 the name was again altered — this time to the "Victorian U.F.O. Research Society".

During this time, the Society has published various papers and is probably best known for its publication Australian Flying Saucer Review, curtailed in 1972 due to high costs and subsequently superseded by the Australian U.F.O. Bulletin and at one stage sponsored and produced a quarter-hour program on a Melbourne radio station under the heading of "The Truth Behind Flying Saucers".

In 1978, following the resignation of Mr. Peter Norris the current executive, Mrs. Judith Magee, Messrs. Paul Norman and Clive Yates, was placed in control, ensuring the continuing prosperity of V.U.F.O.R.S. The Society has held a dispassionate attitude on U.F.O.s, claiming it is a scientific problem deserving closer attention. It has also met regularly in general meetings and discussion nights and maintained the largest U.F.O. library in the southern hemisphere. Unfortunately, the loss of books, probably due to the high cost of postage has forced V.U.F.O.R.S. to discontinue this service to members.

Membership of this Society – which maintains the largest membership of any U.F.O. organisation in the Southern Hemisphere – is open to all who are genuinely interested in the subject.

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